

## REVERSE-RENDERING METHOD FOR DIGITAL MODELING

### ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5           A method for automatically or semi-automatically constructing a digital 3D model  
of a scene from photographic data and photogrammetry data includes defining an initial  
rough model as a solution estimate. A reverse rendering step includes a second-order  
solution method that employs automatic differentiation techniques to accurately  
compute derivatives of an error function. In an embodiment of the method, at least one  
10 camera is placed within the scene being constructed, and photographic data from this  
camera is used in the solution process.